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SUBJECT: PRESS ITEMS FROM SATURDAY'S MORNING NEWSPAPER

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ARTICLE ON ANDREW YOUNG'S CLOUT (WASHINGTON POST) OF
SATURDAY, 14 MAY:

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